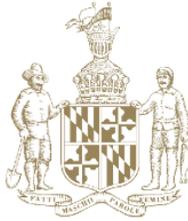


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Senate Bill 320 – Criminal Procedure - Sexual Offenders - Lifetime Supervision

Dear Chairman Smith and Members of the Committee:

I am writing to introduce Senate Bill 320 – Criminal Procedure - Sexual Offenders - Lifetime Supervision. Senate Bill 320 would require more convicted sexual offenders to be placed under lifetime supervision. The bill adds all circumstances of second-degree sexual offense as that crime existed before October 1, 2017, an attempt to commit a second-degree sexual offense, and sexual abuse of a minor, regardless of the minor's age, as crimes that require lifetime supervision.

Under current Maryland law, only some offenders who sexually abuse minors are placed under lifetime supervision. This requirement should extend to all who commit this heinous crime. By requiring lifetime supervision for these offenders, Senate Bill 320 protects Marylanders from offenders who have already been convicted of these crimes and reduce the number of repeat offenses.

This bill is prospective and does not apply to any conviction before the bill's effective date. I respectfully request a favorable report on Senate Bill 320. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J. Bailey".

Senator Jack Bailey
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